



This half term we will be learning the following things. Here are also some useful hints and tips for helping at home!

	At School	At Home
English	In English, the children will learn and write through a range of fiction and non-fiction texts – exploring character descriptions and non-chronological reports. Daily spelling lessons will help children to learn new spelling patterns and cover the Year 5 spelling words. Handwriting lessons will encourage children to join their writing, sizing and spacing letters correctly whilst writing with increasing speed.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aim to hear your child read at least three times a week.</li> <li>• Read your child a book on a night. Promote a love of reading.</li> <li>• Encourage your child to seize as many writing opportunities as possible.</li> </ul>
Maths	In Maths, the children will focus on consolidating their understanding of place value up to 1,000,000 and Roman numerals up to 1,000. They will explore mental strategies and formal written methods to solve addition and subtraction problems.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue to revise times tables up to 12x.</li> <li>• Practise addition and subtraction methods at home.</li> </ul>
Science	In Science, the focus will be Space. They will explore the solar system, learning about planets, stars, moons and other celestial bodies. They will study the moon phases, the Earth's rotation and the causes of day and night and the seasons.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ask your child about what they have learnt in Science. See if they can recall key facts.</li> </ul>
Geography	In Geography the children will explore the location of countries of the world, including biomes and environmental regions. They will build their locational knowledge, understanding of human and physical features and geographical fieldwork skills.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discuss the location of countries you may have visited.</li> </ul>
History	In History, the children will be learning about Anglo Saxon Britain. They will identify some of the changes from Roman to Anglo Saxon Britain, where the Anglo Saxons came from and explore the most significant changes to civilisation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discuss Anglo Saxon Britain with your child.</li> <li>• See what your child can remember about Roman Britain.</li> </ul>
PE	In PE, we will be focusing on football and lacrosse. The class will participate in a range of fun, active, engaging lessons concentrating on a specific skill each lesson. We will be aiming to develop the fundamental skills from each lesson.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Encourage your child to take part in daily physical exercise.</li> </ul>
RE	In RE, pupils will be answering the learning question, "Why do some people believe God exists?" The children will consider why people do or don't believe in God and the impact that might have on the way they live their everyday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discuss different beliefs about God.</li> <li>• Ask your child to talk about what they have learnt.</li> </ul>

Latin	The children will continue to learn Latin as their foreign language. This term, the children will learn about prepositions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ask your child which new Latin words they have learnt that week.</li> </ul>
Computer Science and IT	In Computing, the children will develop their understanding of computer systems and how information is transferred between systems and devices. They will consider small-scale systems as well as large-scale systems.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discuss with your child what they have learnt about computer systems.</li> </ul>
Online Safety	Children in Year 4 will learn about privacy and security. They will discuss the importance of creating strong and secure passwords.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Talk to your child about Online Safety and the rules in your home.</li> </ul>
Music	In Music, the children will explore sounds using body percussion and use this, along with untuned percussion, to create a soundscape to tell a story.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Create your own soundscapes at home.</li> </ul>
Personal, Social and Health Education	In PSHE, your child will look at the topic 'My Body, My Health' where they will discuss changes to the body, as they get older. The children will learn about puberty and the menstrual cycle.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discuss with your child some of the changes as they get older.</li> </ul>
Virtue	Within school we have 6 virtues: fairness, kindness, bravery, respect, coolness and stickability which are all interwoven through our curriculum and, policies and every day practice. This half term our virtue is kindness.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discuss what looks like in day to day scenarios.</li> </ul>